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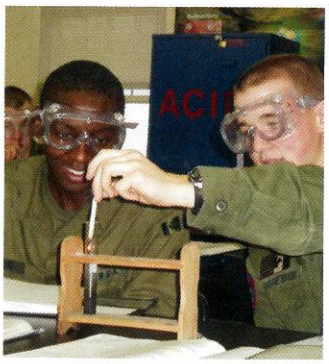

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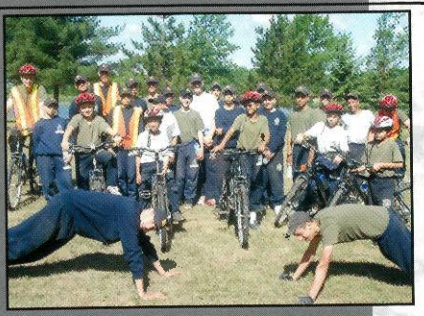

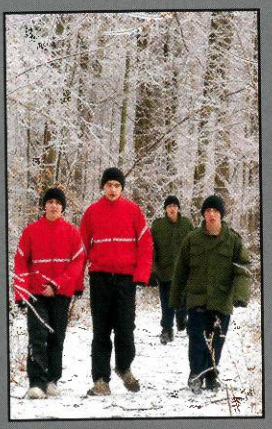

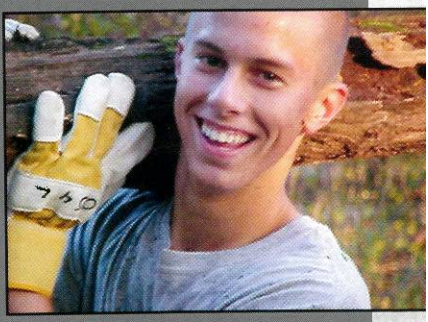

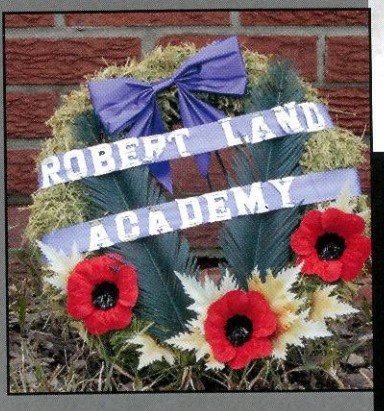
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A Message from the Headmaster

Lieutenant Colonel G.S. Bowman

It has been a most exciting year starting with the Fall Exercise and being joined by members of two military schools in the United States; St Johns in Kansas and Oakridge Military Academy in North Carolina. We very much appreciate their participation and look forward to this becoming an annual event. In the spring, a team of boys chosen from all three companies traveled to Oakridge for a series of athletic competitions and historical training. We were graciously received and are most grateful for the warm hospitality and fellowship extended to our boys and faculty.

Much more work has been completed on the restoration of our forest and the construction of our depot along the tree line. This is an exciting project that will greatly expand our nature and conservation programmes. In the years to come we will develop a man-made lake for boating and fishing, and pond hockey in the winter. This initiative will also see a new rappel tower and other adventure training sights.

Our graduates distinguished themselves, their families and the Academy with their hard work and success in being accepted to universities across the country and beyond. We wish them all the very best and hope they will take what they have learned and apply it to all aspects of their lives.

A special thanks to the faculty and staff for their continued dedication with the Cadets and their families. They are an exceptional group and deserving of all our gratitude.

I Remain,
Respectfully Yours
G.S. Bowman, Lieutenant Colonel (Honorary)
Founder & Headmaster

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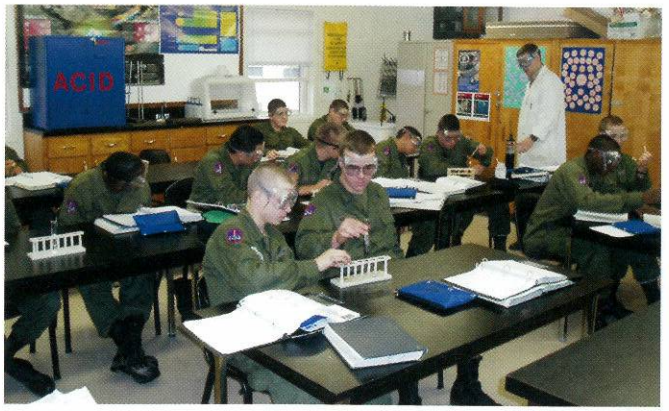
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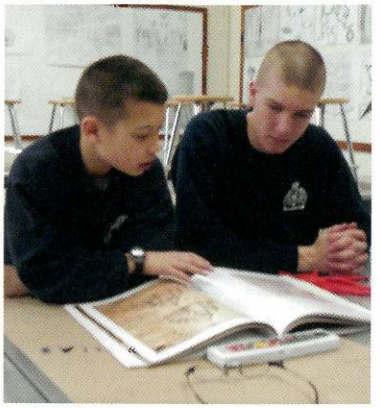

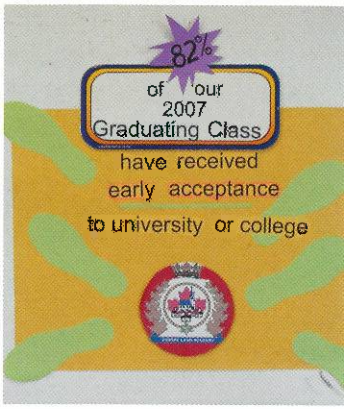
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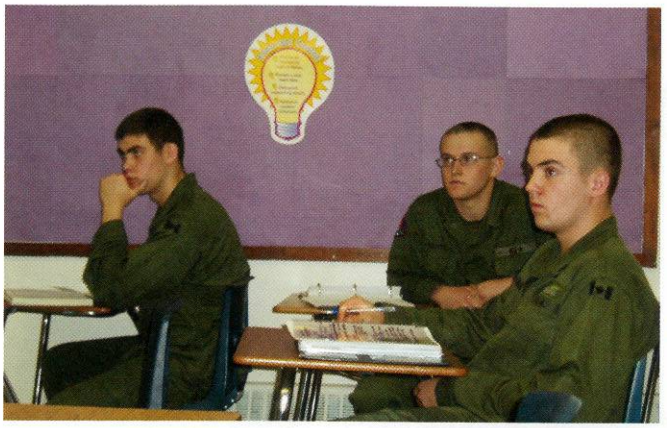

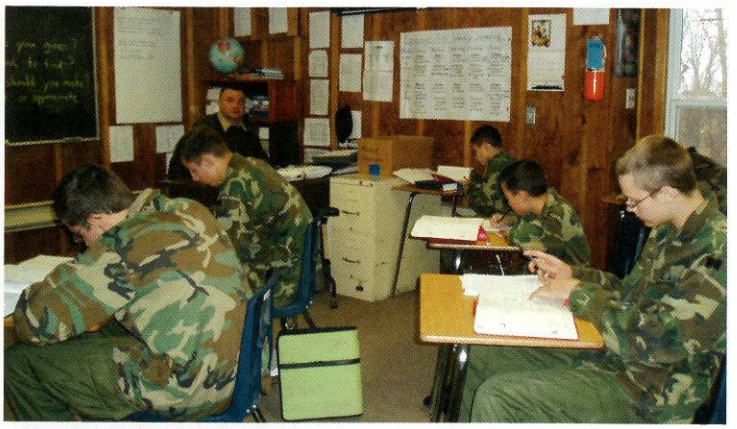

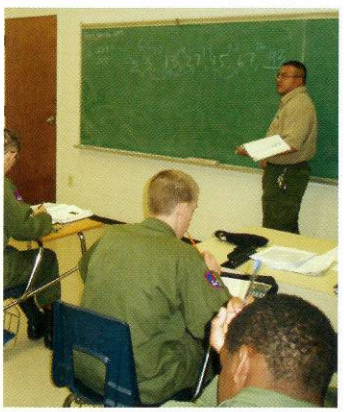

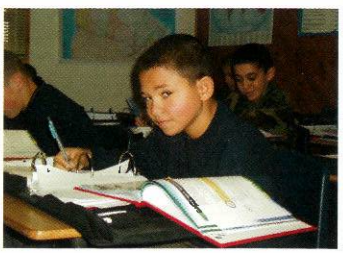

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Dean of Studies

Dr. David B. Harley

Cheer up!
It only gets worse.

Richard Whately, an English philosopher and theologian who was born in 1787 and died in 1863, stated that "one should Preach not because you have to say something, but because you have something to say". Therefore, I would rather approach this year's address not so much in the spirit of obligation but more in the spirit of opportunity. This is an opportunity to say something to you now that may have more meaning to you in the future. Let us consider this brief little essay then as a message in a bottle.

Whether you were in agreement with it at the time or not, you came to Robert Land with the primary focus of having your lives put into order. Getting you on track, be in terms of your physical health, emotional health or intellectual development, was the objective of the program. For all of us, self discipline is a process rather than an achieved state and it is less a realized goal than a goal in the process of realization. You must therefore remember that your achievements to date cannot be taken away from you, but you yourself can take away your future achievements. In leaving the Academy you have the choice to either build upon your achievements or rest upon your laurels. Graduation from high school is not a destination, it is a road sign. You will need to work harder and longer than you have ever done. Things will become more difficult, not easier. Life will present more challenges, not less.

When I was a younger man and complained to my parents about my school work load, responsibilities or general state of existence, my father used to say with a smile "Cheer up son! It only gets worse". Of course when he had been my age he was sailing around the North Atlantic during WWII. My mother lived through the bombing raids in Portsmouth. For my parents' generation, war provided a deep appreciation for peace and gave new meaning to life. Doing without provided a deep appreciation for abundance.

Regrettably, peace and prosperity have their own perils. Taking things or people for granted is a sure way to lose them. For some, materialism makes us feel that happiness comes from what we own rather than who we are. A preoccupation with appearance turns others and ourselves into objects. Individualism begins to consist of wearing expensive clothes with other people's names on them.

Just as you must struggle to achieve success and to evolve from being responsible for yourself to being responsible for others, so does our country, culture and civilization depend upon the strength of its members to survive and grow. It is not a given that the future will be better than the past nor that the future will be the same as the present. Indeed, if there is one thing about which you can be sure, it is that nothing either good or bad lasts forever.

H.G. Wells, now famous as the author of such classic books as *The Time Machine* and *The War of The Worlds*, was considered by many of his contemporaries to be the foremost prophet of the 20th century. In his *Outline of History* published in 1920 he stated that human history becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe. In saying this, he stressed both the looming nature of the problems that beset humanity as well as the need for an educated and informed population capable of understanding and constructive action. Society and civilizations, like individuals, enjoy no guaranteed existence or success. What is built can crumble through misuse, abuse and weakness of character. The responsibility of inheritance is not only preservation but also growth and vitality.

Your life so far should have taught you how people can take constructive steps towards their future and how people can undermine themselves. Your future depends upon you. However, it is also true to say that the future depends upon you. Ultimately it is not only your responsibility to be the best that you can be, but you must also contribute to a society that makes that possible for your children and for others. Such a society requires sacrifice and dedication to social values that transcend self interest. Therefore, between assuming the responsibilities of a man, husband, father and citizen, you will have your work cut out for you. The society and freedoms that you enjoy today can no more be taken for granted than the success that you celebrate on this day of graduation. And so I say to you in closing, "Cheer up, it only gets worse".

Sincerely yours,

Dr. David B. Harley
B.A. Hons., M.A., M.A. (McMaster), Ph.D. (Toronto)
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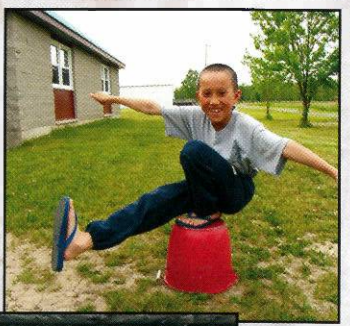

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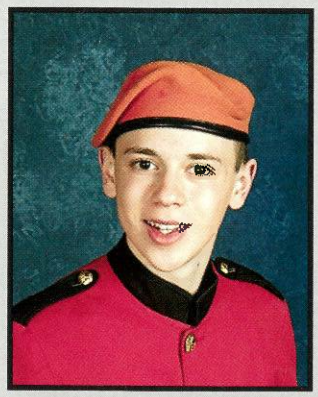

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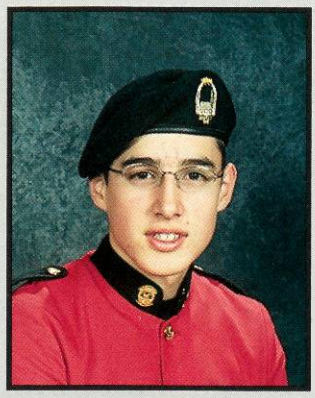

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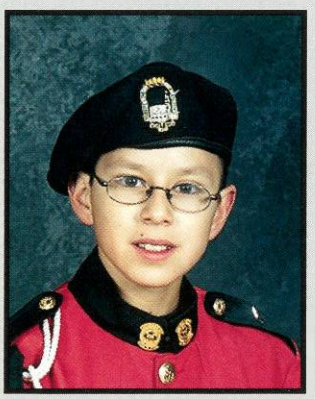

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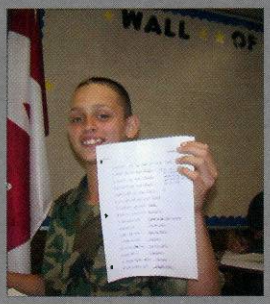

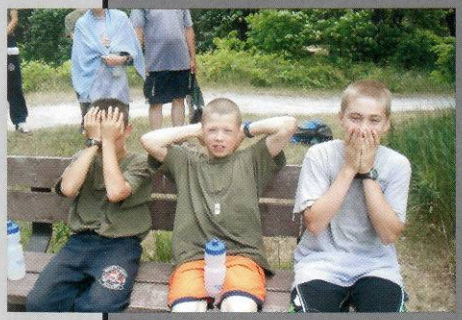

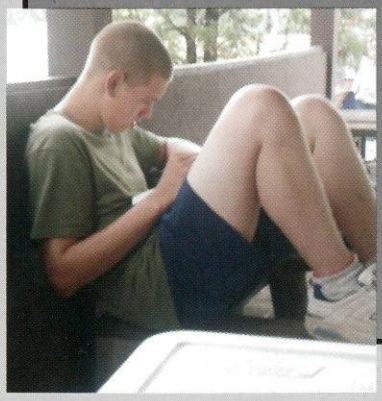

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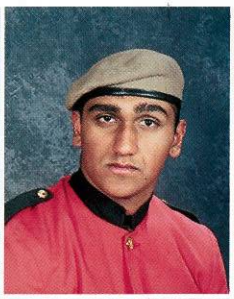
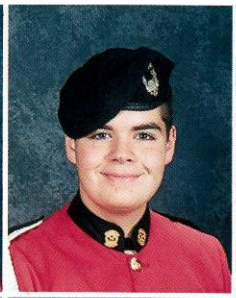

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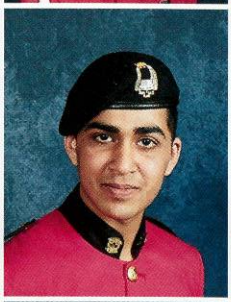

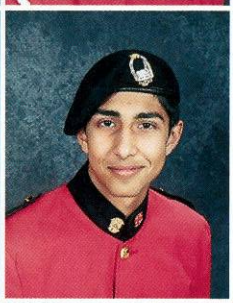

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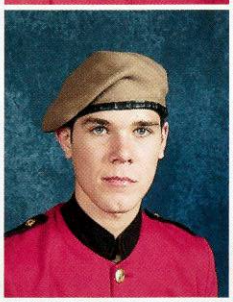
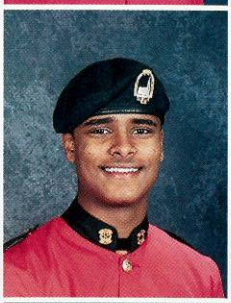

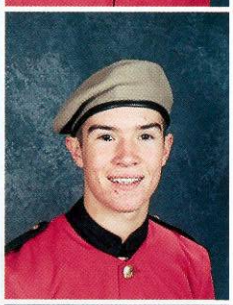

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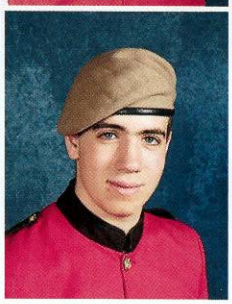

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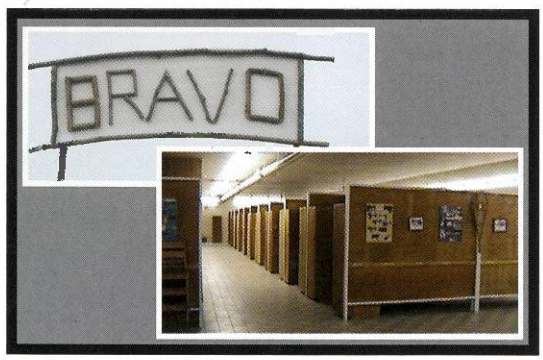

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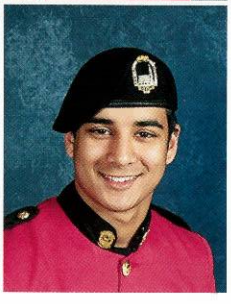

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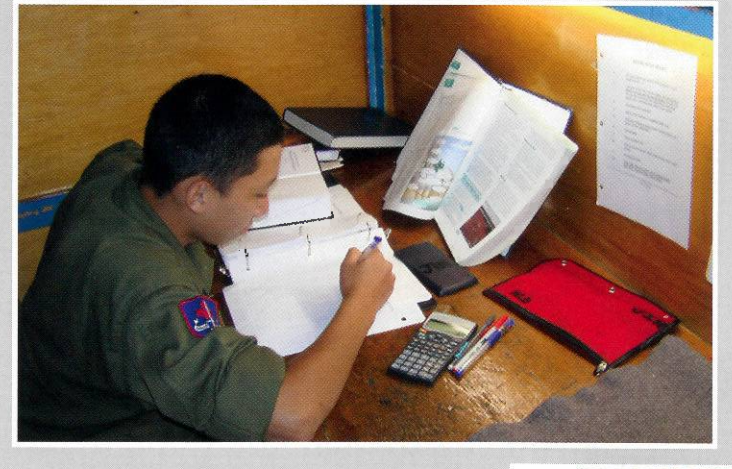

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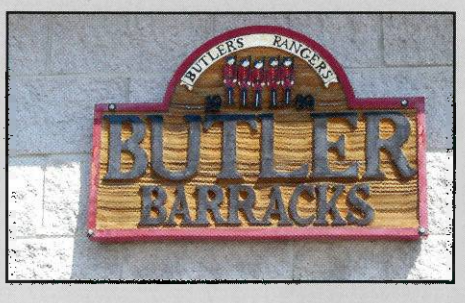
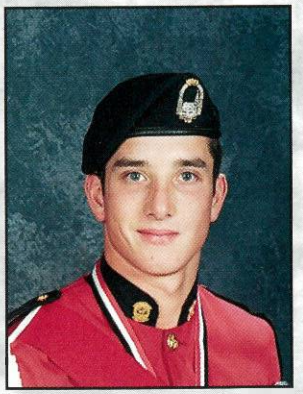


GRADE 12 GRADUATES

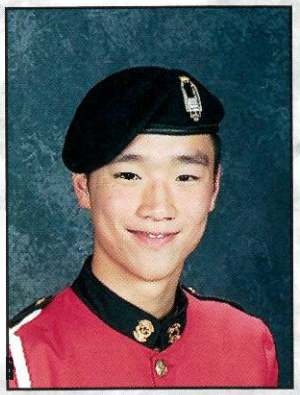
Calvin Bissett

Calvin was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Bronze Athletics and Bronze Citizenship Awards. He is on the Academy Honour Roll and is an Ontario Scholar. He was also the recipient of the Robert Land Academy Community Service Award and the W.L. Hawkins Award. Calvin served as the Academy Aide-de-Camp. He accepted a position at McMaster University in the Science Programme.



Thomas Braidwood

Thomas was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Gold Academics and Gold Athletics Aw He is on the Academy Honour Rol is an Ontario Scholar. He was also recipient of the Lieutenant Govern Community Volunteer Award and MVP Rugby Award. Thomas acce a position at The Royal Military College in the Pilot Training Programme.

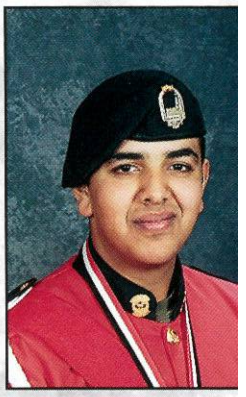


Tin Ho (Justin) Chan

Justin was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Gold Academics and Bronze Citizenship Awards. He is on the Academy Honour Roll and is an Ontario Scholar. He was also the recipient of the Robert Land Trophy. Justin accepted a position at the University of Western Ontario in the Management & Organizational Studies Programme.

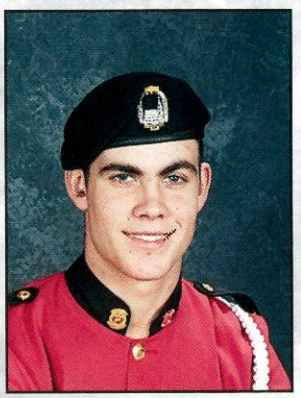
Bhavendeep (Bob) Dhillon

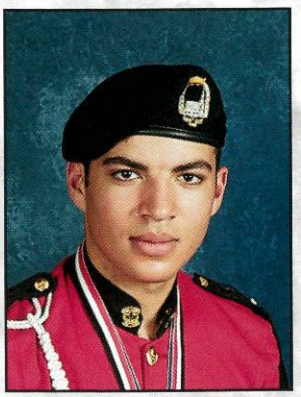
Bob was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Gold Academic and Gold Citizenship Awards. He is on the Academy Honour Rall and is an Ontario Scholar. He is also the recipient of the Governor Generals Award, the Senior Mathematics Prize, the Euclid Medal (University of Waterloo Euclid Mathematics Competition), the English Book Prize, and the Senior Computer Science Book Prize. Bob served as Head Boy and was elected as Valedictorian. He accepted a position at the University of Waterloo / Wilfred Laurier University and is perusing a double degree in Business Administration and Mathematics.



Jacob Duerksen

Jacob was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Silver Academics and Silver Athletics Awards. He earned Marks of Distinction. Jacob accepted a position at the University of Lethbridge, Alberta in the General Arts Programme.





Thelonious (Theo) He

Theo was awarded the Academy Fitness Pin and the Bronze Athlet Award. Theo accepted a position York University in the Environme Studies Programme.

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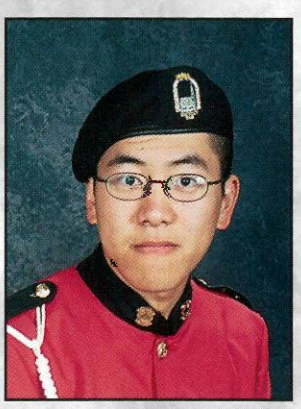
Jia Geng (Jay) Huang

Jay was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Silver Academics and Gold Citizenship Awards. He earned Marks of Distinction. Jay accepted a position at the University of Toronto in the Social Sciences Programme.



Errol Kokbas

Errol earned Marks of Distinction. He was also the recipient of the Royal Canadian Legion Dunnville Branch 142 Bursary / RCAC Service Award. Errol accepted a position at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology in the Software Engineering & Management Programme.

Karl Latendorf

Karl was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Silver Academics, Silver Athletics and Gold Citizenship Award. He earned Marks of Distinction. He was also the recipient of the Creative Writing Award / Bohdan Cirka. Karl served as the Academy Aide-de-Camp. He accepted a position at the City University of New York in the United States.

Justin Lee

Justin was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin, and Bronze Athletics Award. He is on the Academy Honour Roll and is an Ontario Scholar. Justin accepted a position at Wilfred Laurier University in the Business Administration Programme.

Kevin Li

Kevin was awarded the Academy Service Pin. He accepted a position at Centennial College in the Recreation & Leisure Services Programme.

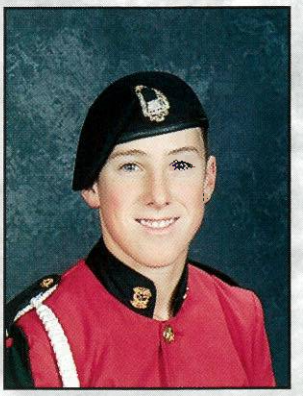
Rory McLellan

Rory was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Silver Academics, Gold Athletics, and Silver Citizenship Awards. He earned Marks of Distinction. He was also the recipient of the Paul Hunter Gold Citizenship Award, Larry Davidson Memorial Award, and the Athlete of the Year Award. Rory accepted a position at Georgian College in the Bachelor of Applied Human Services / Police Studies Programme.

GRADE 12 GRADUATES

Andrew Mendoza Baez

Andrew was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin and Silver Athletics Award. He accepted a position at Ryerson University in the International Economics & Finance Programme.



Evan Pyndus

Evan was awarded the Academy Service Pin. He earned Marks of Distinction and has accepted a positi at the University of Guelph in the Wildlife Biology Programme.

Dennis Sherman

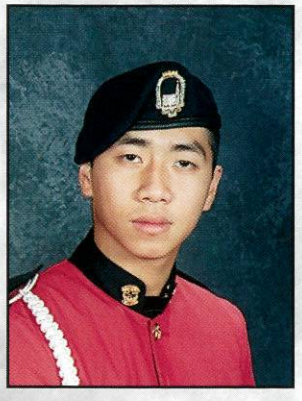
Dennis was awarded the Academy Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Gold Academics, and Gold Athletics Award. He is on the Academy Honour Roll and is an Ontario Scholar. He was also the recipient of the Environmental Award. Denis accepted a position at the University of Victoria in the Social Sciences Programme.

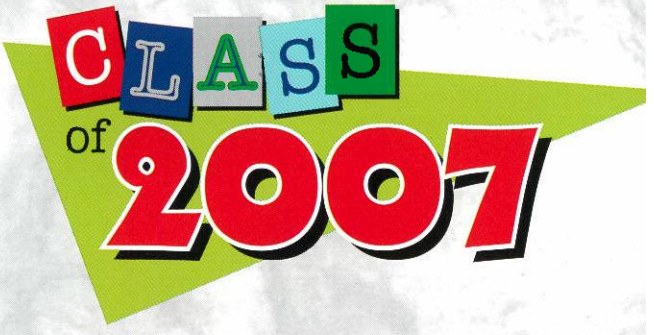
Zachery Toth

Zachary was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Silver Academics and Gold Citizenship Awards. He earned Marks of Distinction and is an Ontario Scholar. Zachary accepted a position at the University of Guelph in the Systems & Computer Engineering Programme.

Tung Hoi (Andy) Wong

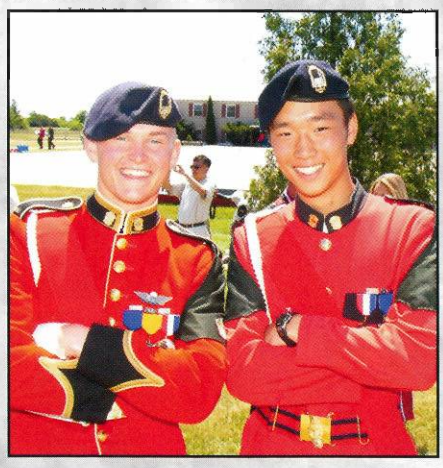
Andy was awarded the Academy Good Conduct Cord, Service Pin, Fitness Pin, Gold Academics and Silver Athletics Awards. He is on the Academy Honour Roll and is an Ontario Scholar. Andy accepted a position at the University of Waterloo in the Mathematics Programme.

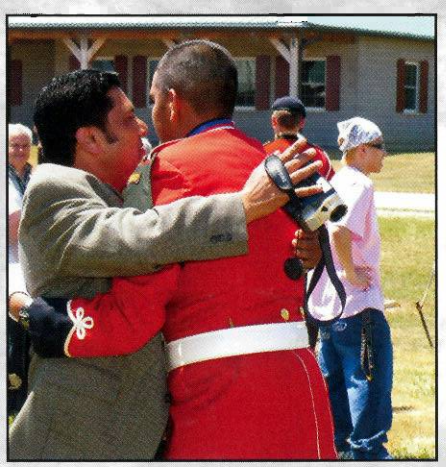




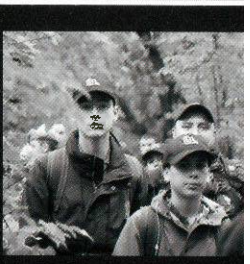
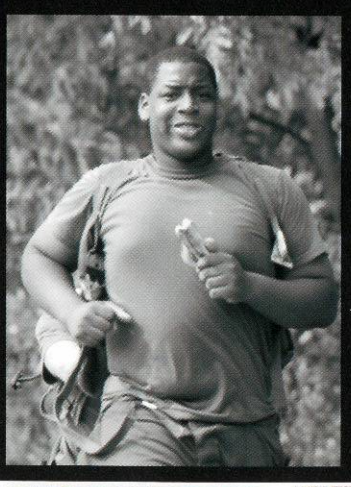
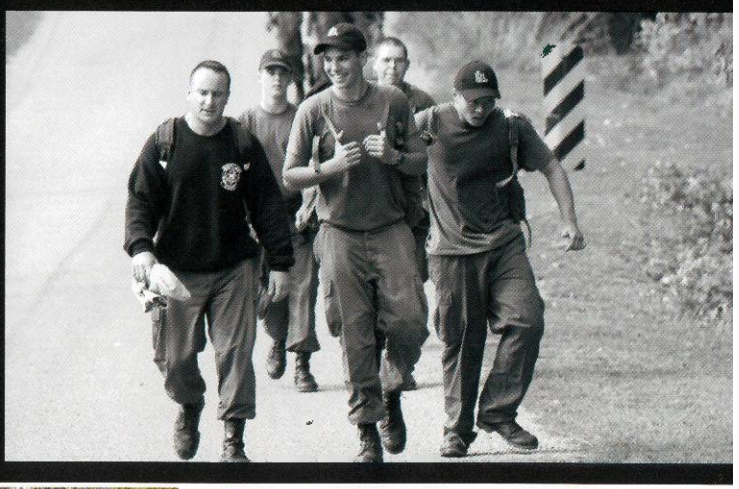
Robert Land Academy Graduating Class 2007

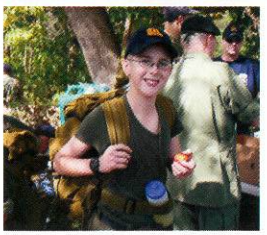
FRONT ROW: Zachery Toth, Andy Wong, Karl Latendorf, Dr. Harley, LCol Bowman, Justin Lee, Andrew Mendoza, Kevin Li.
BACK ROW: Jay Huang, Evan Pyndus, Errol Kokbas, Bob Dhillon, Jake Duerkson, Calvin Bissett, Justin Chan, Thomas Braidwood, Rory McLellan, Theo Head (missing - Denis Sherman)

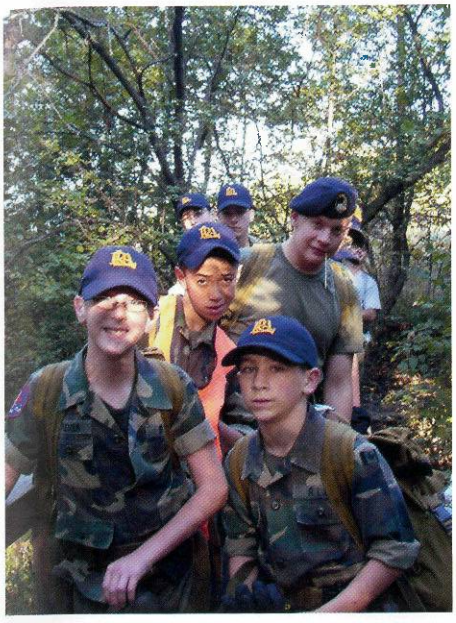


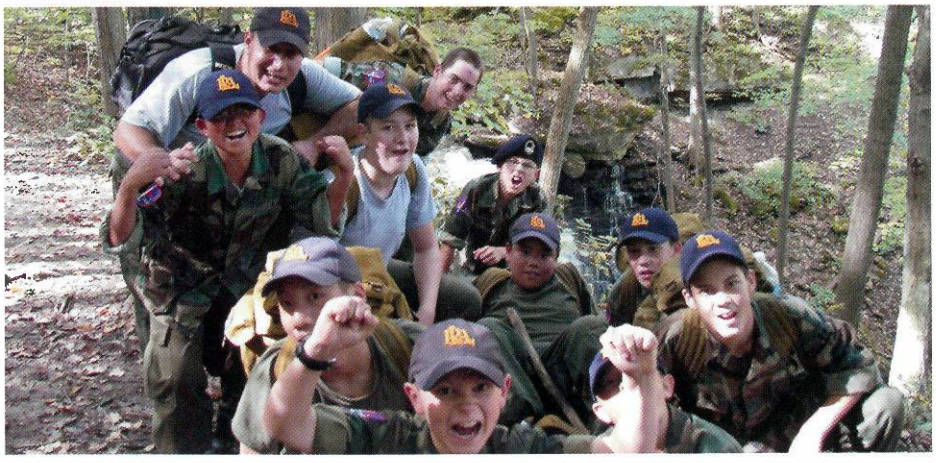


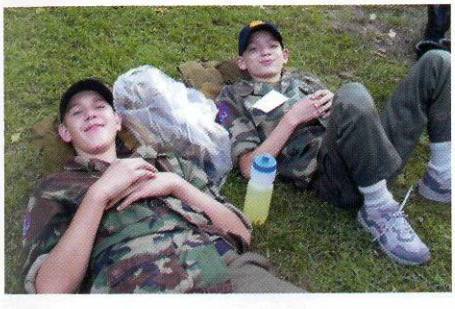
THE FALL EXERCISE

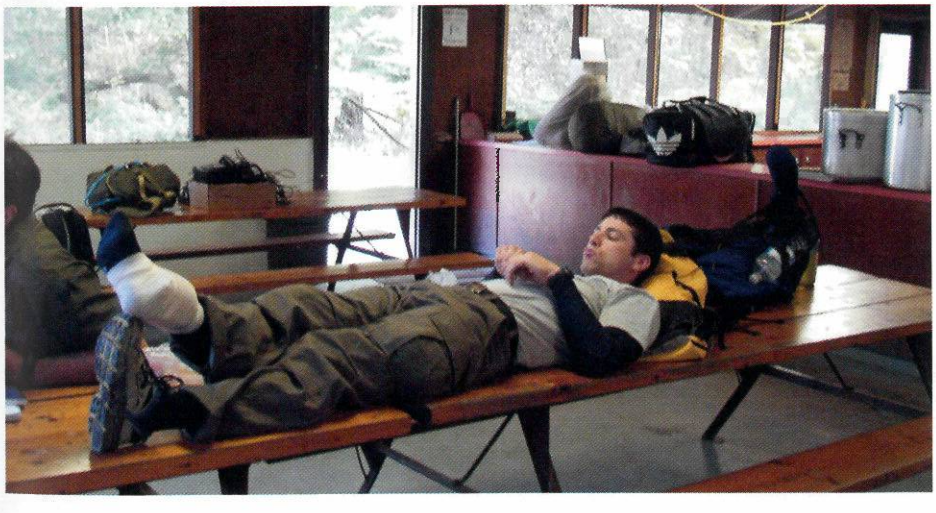




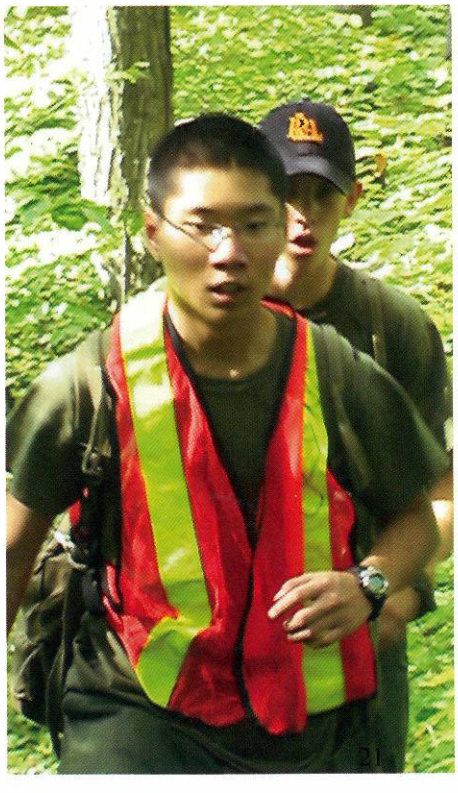












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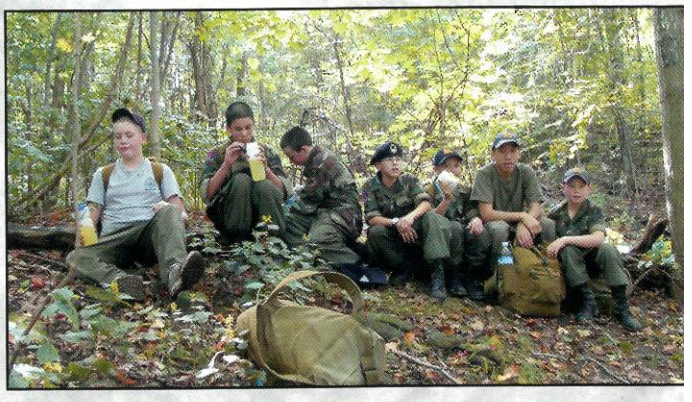
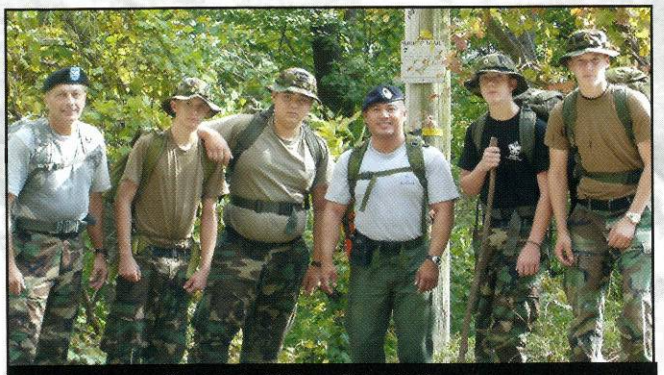
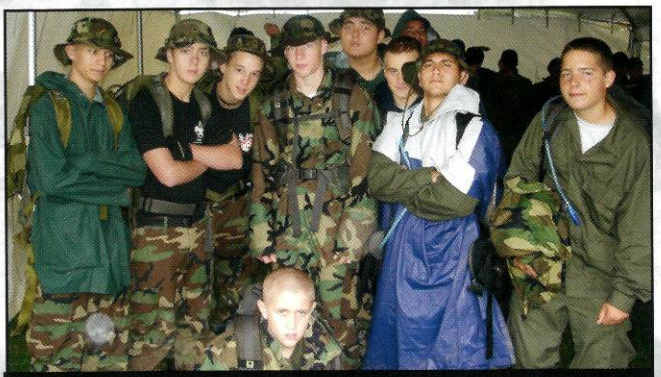




St. John's Military School, Kansas



OakRidge Military Academy, North Carolina

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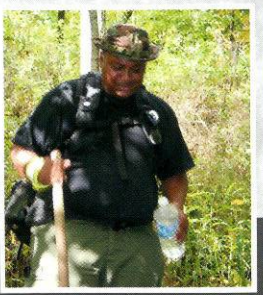
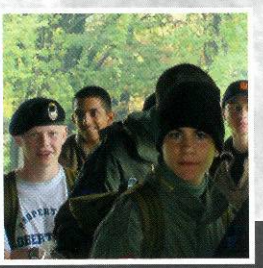
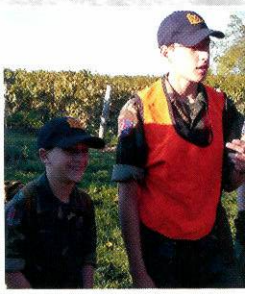






The Winter Ex.

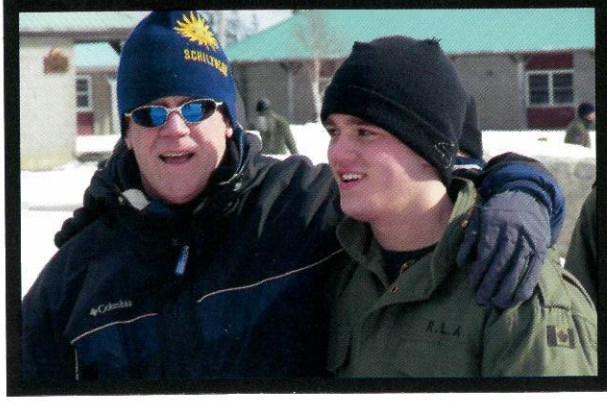
The Winter Exercise

For those who miss the Fall Exercise, the Winter Exercise is filled with many different challenges.

Led by ASM Zahra, cadets march along many of the same routes on the Bruce Trail. The motivation - keep moving to stay warm!

A successful mission is marked by reaching the base of Brock's Monument at Queenston Heights.

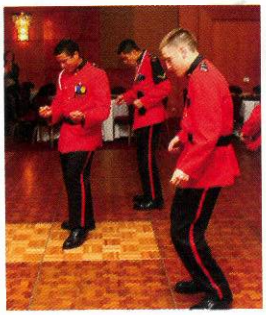
Father - Son Day



a gala event!

Scarlet Parade

Scarlet Parade is the Academy's annual black-tie gala fundraising event. The function, attended by parents, alumni, members of the board of governors, cadets, and other invited guests, was held at the Toronto Marriott Eaton Centre Hotel. Proceeds from the gala were dedicated to the Founder's Scholarship Fund.

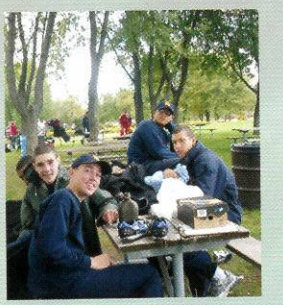


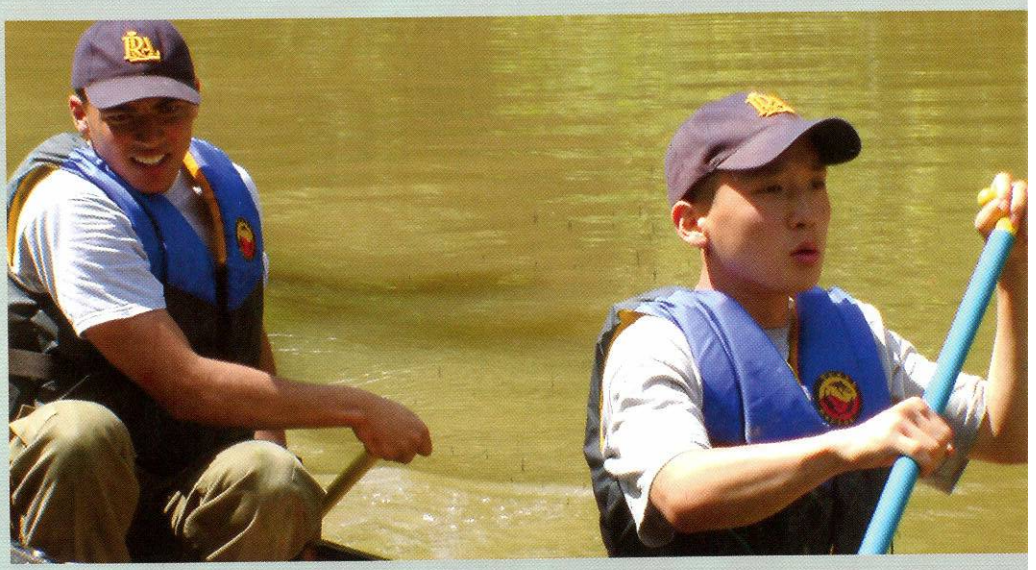
2968 Royal Canadian Cadet Corps (Army)

RCAC

Captain M. Erola, CD receives the Cadet Corps ensign from LCol G.S. Bowman, Corps sponsor. Captain Erola takes over command of 2968 Cadet Corps. from outgoing Commanding Officer Captain C. Breede, CD.

Robert Land Academy is the official sponsor of 2968 Royal Canadian Cadet Corps (Army). The cadet corps operates as a separate club at the Academy, and provides cadets the opportunity to learn basic military skills taught through the Canadian Forces Cadet Instructor Cadre.





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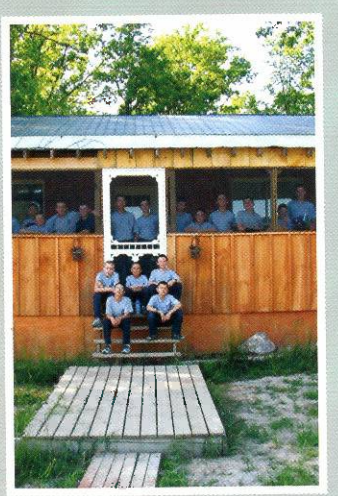

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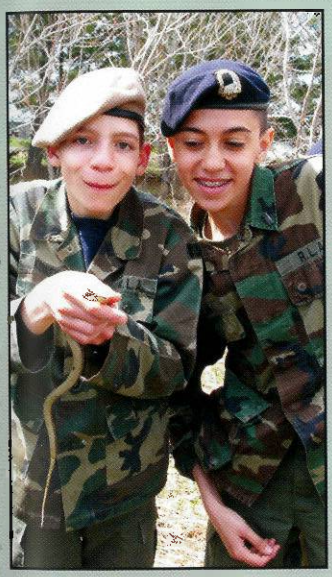

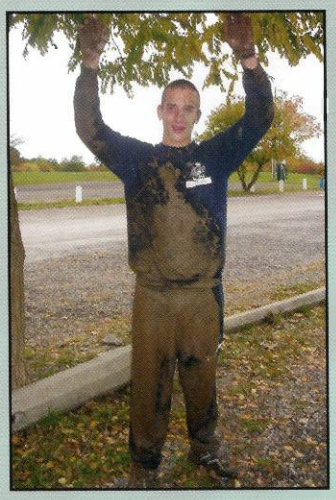

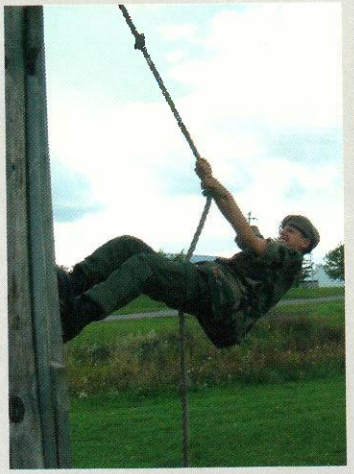

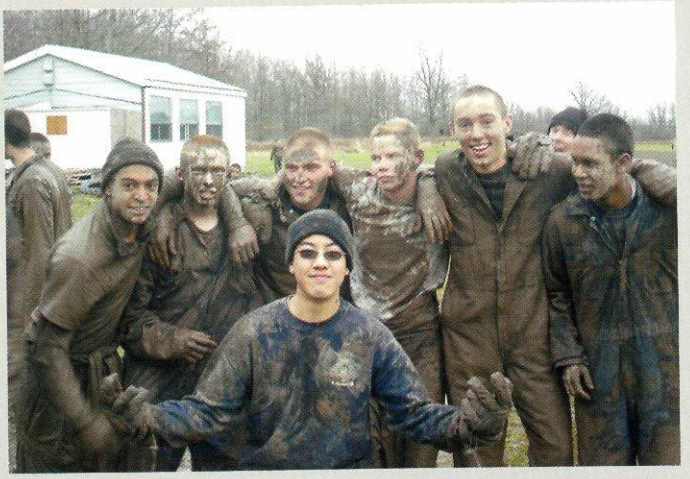

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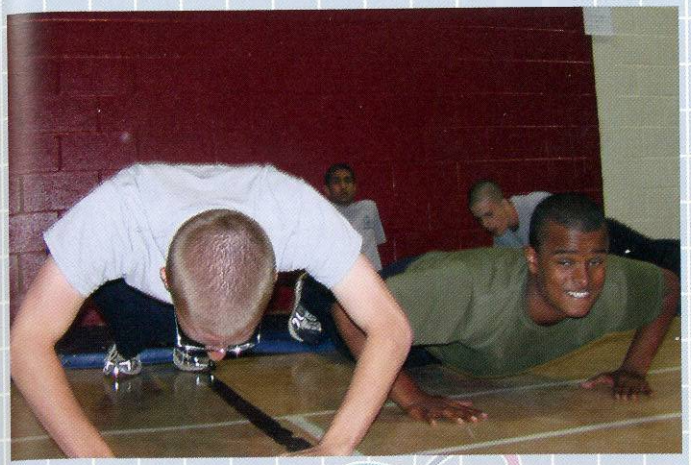

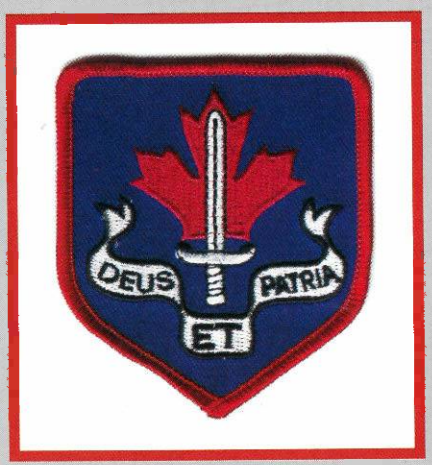
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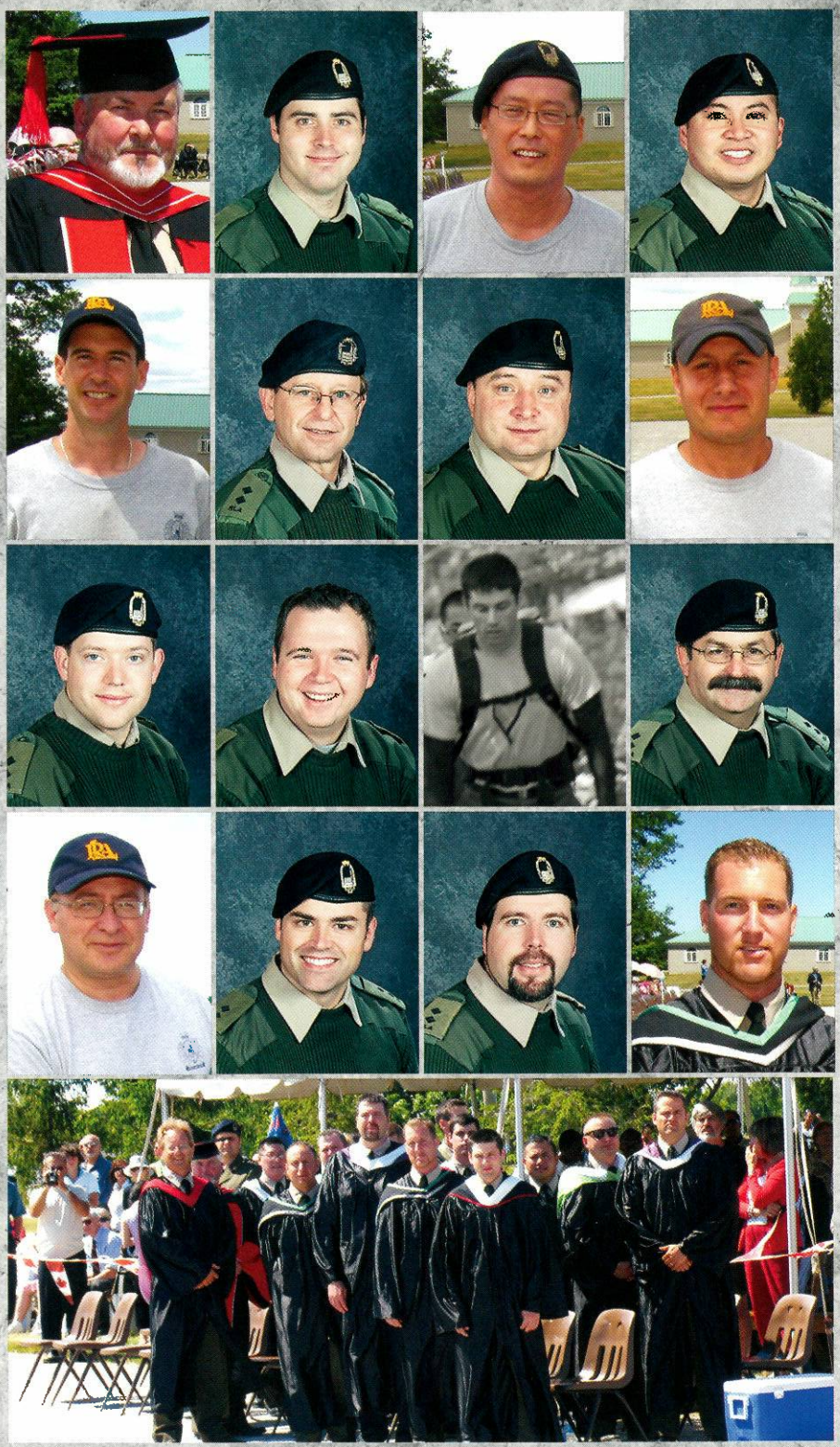

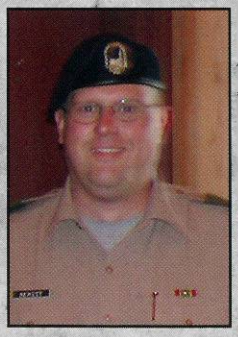

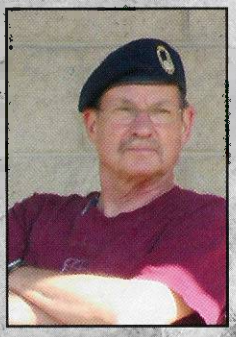

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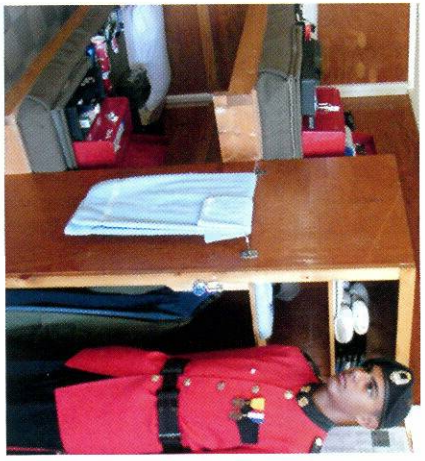

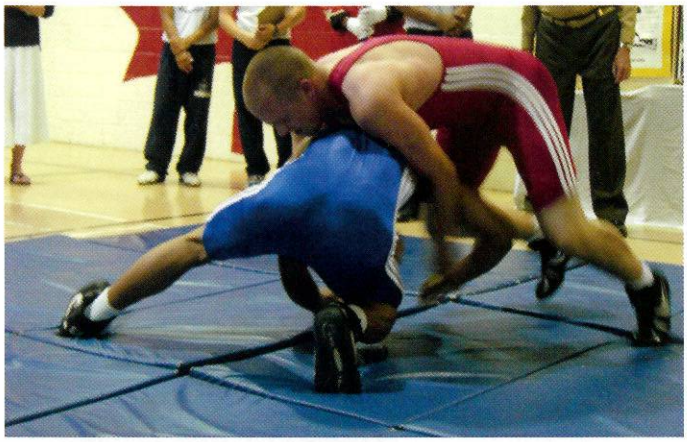

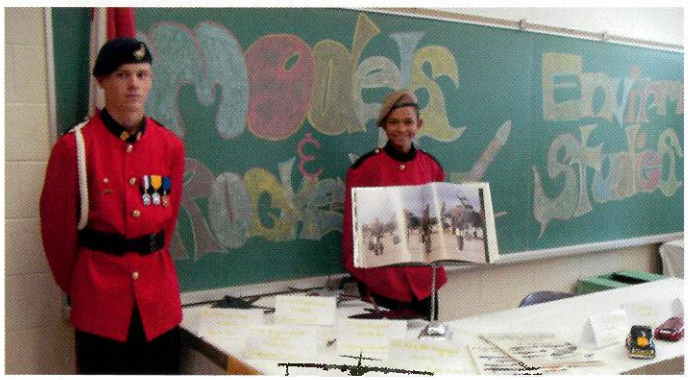

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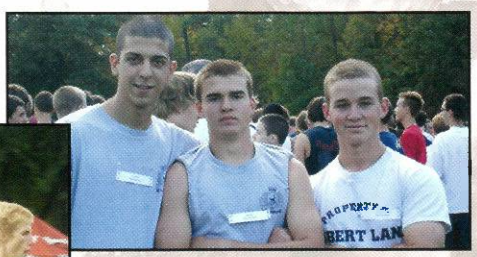
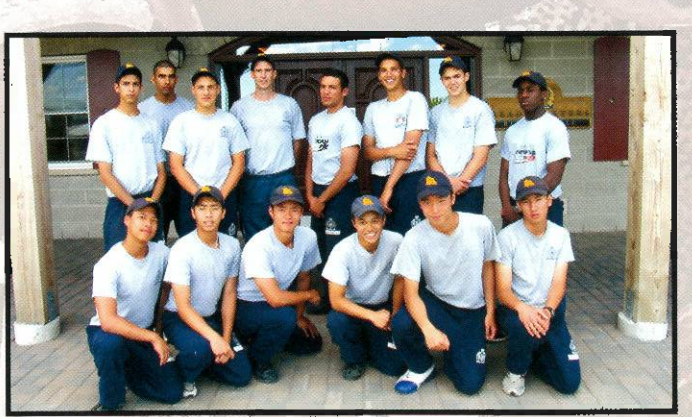


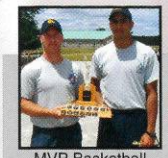


BASKETBALL

Front Row: A. Wong, A. Wong, M. Chang, C. Chung, W. Wu
Back Row: E. Kokbas, G. Gill, T. Faoro, Lt. Dugas (coach), T. Head, J. Alamry, T. Youngson, B. Akingbola

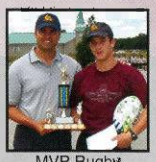
RUGBY

Front Row: K. Peters, C. Bissett, D. Payne, J. Alamry, S. Nadeau, M. Dallas-Peterson
Middle Row: J. Lynch, J. Rutherford, R. McLellan, D. Cinq-Mars, P. Allocco, M. Ironmonger, T. Bracken, Lt. Prodger (coach)
Back Row: Lt. Whyte, D. Sherman, L. Smith, T. Youngson, T. Braidwood, L. Phillips, S. Connor, P. Vessio

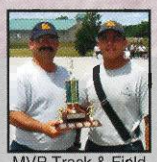

MVP Basketball
Gurbir Gill

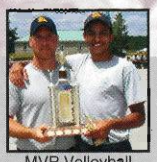
MVP Cross Country
Gabriel Marcoux

MVP Hockey
David Payne


MVP Rugby
Thomas Braidwood

MVP Soccer
Alexander Jakimtschuk


MVP Track & Field
Nicholas Gegan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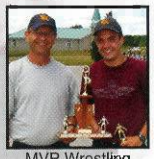
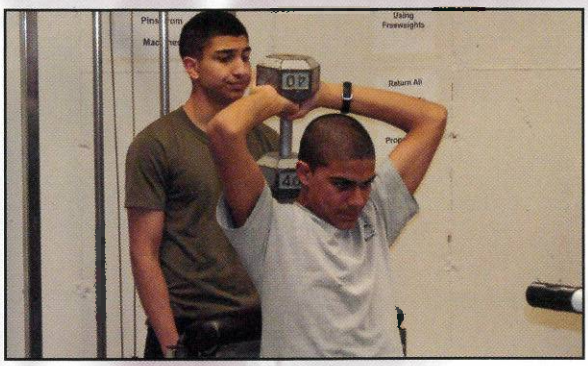

MVP Wrestling
Rory McLellan

MVP Sports Awards

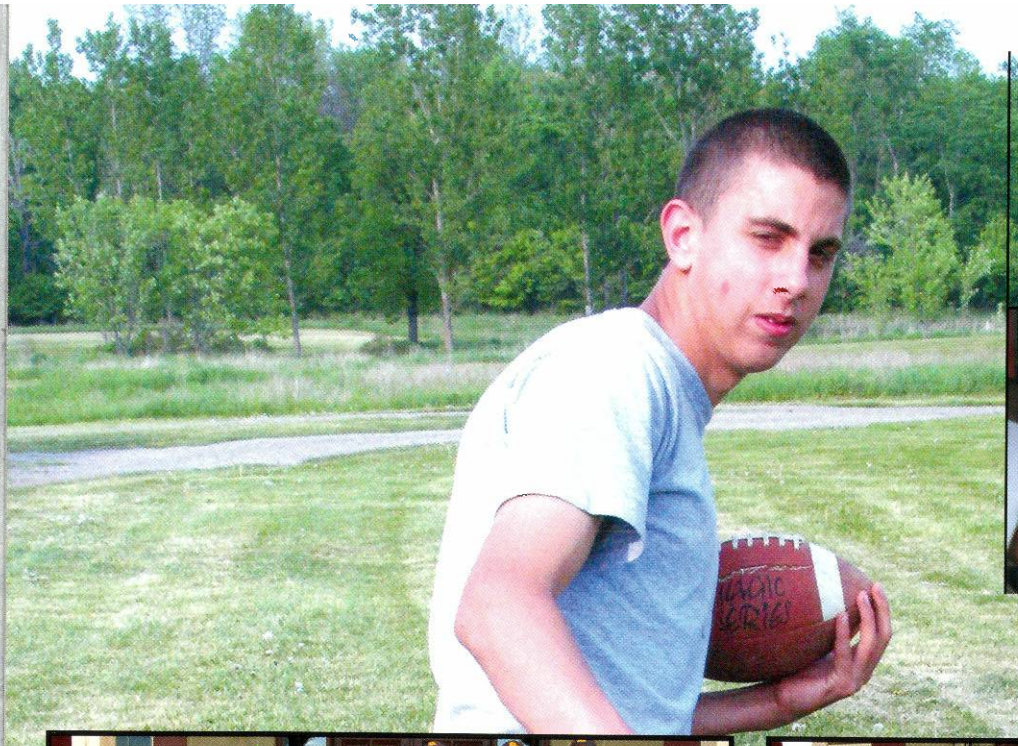


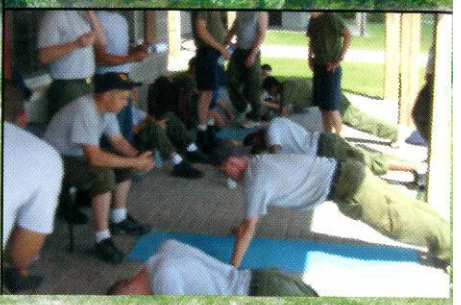
CROSS COUNTRY

Front Row: S. Nadeau, J. Lynch, E. Kokbas
Back Row: Lt. Ongcangco (coach), L. Smith, G. Marcoux, T. Braidwood, M. Dallas-Peterson, N. Gegan, T. Longay, L. Phillips, Lt. Erola (coach)

SOCCER

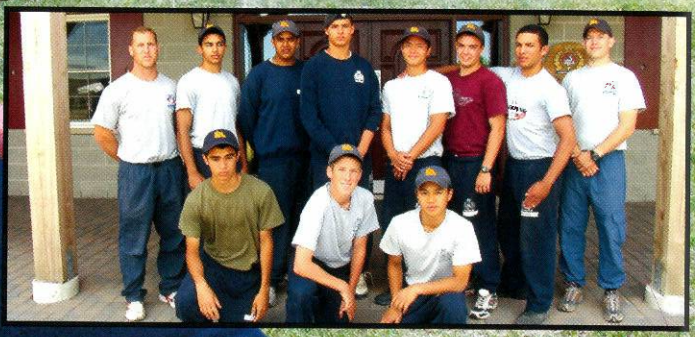
Front Row: J. Robertson, T. Kaczkiewicz, J. Baxter, T. Ng, R. Chung
Back Row: T. Faoro, B. Akingbola, A. Shimeles, Lt. Dugas (coach), B. Toth, L. Duerksen, C. Conceicao, T. Head, U. Macevic, J. Chan, N. Wilkins, A. Wong, A. Jakimtschuk, O. Tucker





TRACK & FIELD

Front Row: S. Nadeau, D. Chan, T. Manning
Back Row, Lt. Erola (coach), J. Lynch, N. Gegan, T. Longay, Y. Wu, Lt. Banta (coach)



VOLLEYBALL

Front Row: T. Kaczkiewicz, E. Pyndus, R. Chung
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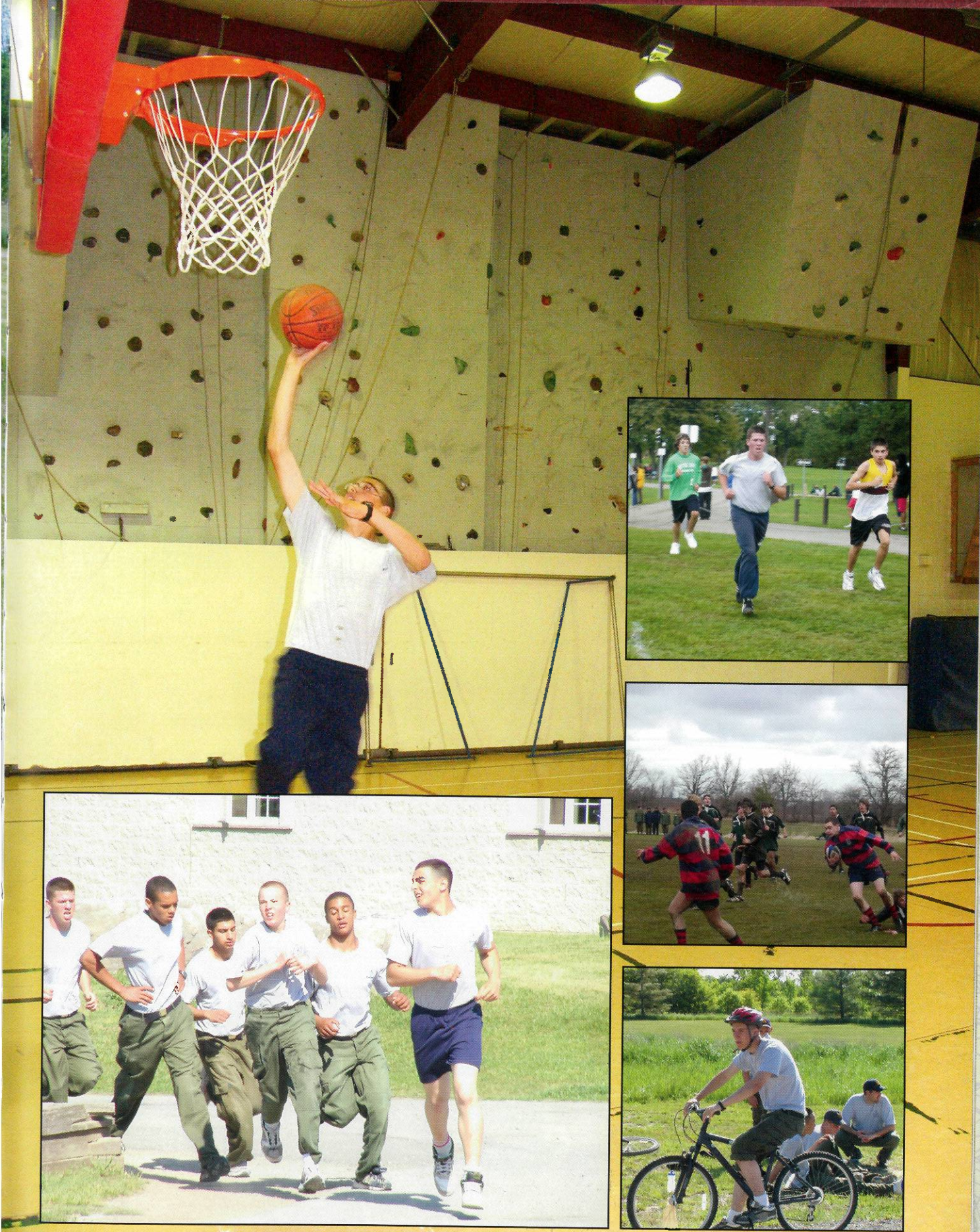
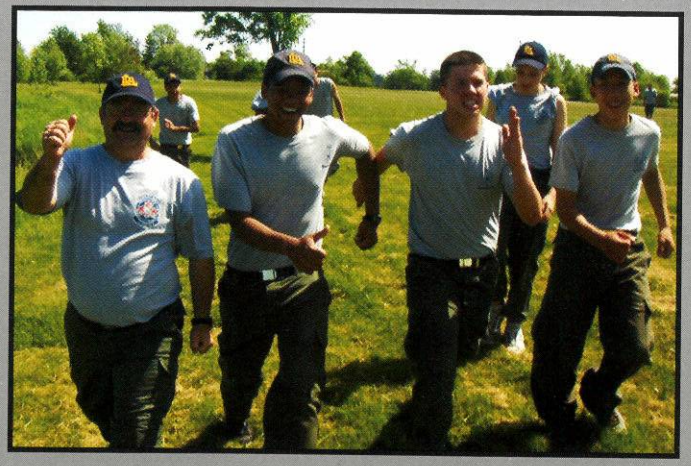
WRESTLING

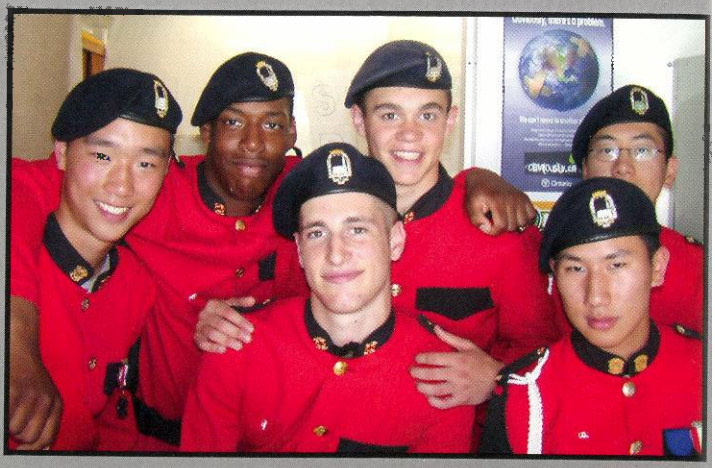
Front Row: P. Allocco, J. Pinkhasik, D. Chan, J. Rutherford, G. Marcoux, N. Gegan
Back Row: 2Lt. Flynn (coach), D. Sherman, R. Chau, S. Jakeman, A. DeSilva, A. Shimeles, C. Bissett, R. McLellan, T. Braidwood, J. Duerkson, S. Schmor, U. Macevic, M. Ironmonger, Lt. Brown (coach)

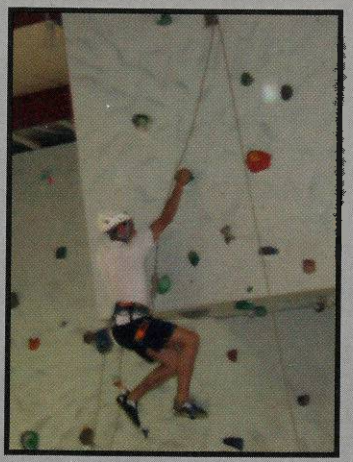
HOCKEY

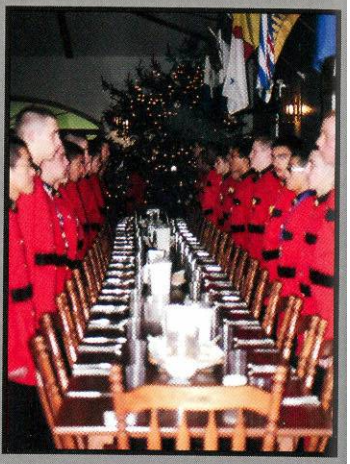
Front Row: D. Gebert, J. Lynch, S. Lofranco, S. Nadeau, C. Graham, C. Scott, G. Kerr
Back Row: 2Lt Frost (coach), D. Payne, R. Chau, E. Bardsley, Capt. Milliken (coach), A. Shimeles, T. Braidwood, C. Joyce, R. McLellan, N. Parsons, L. Derksen, P. Vessio, N. Wilkins, Lt. Servos (coach), L.M. Lepine, T. Bracken

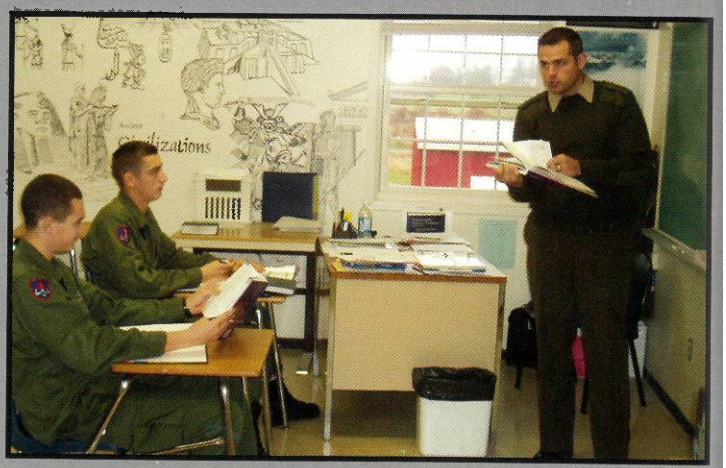


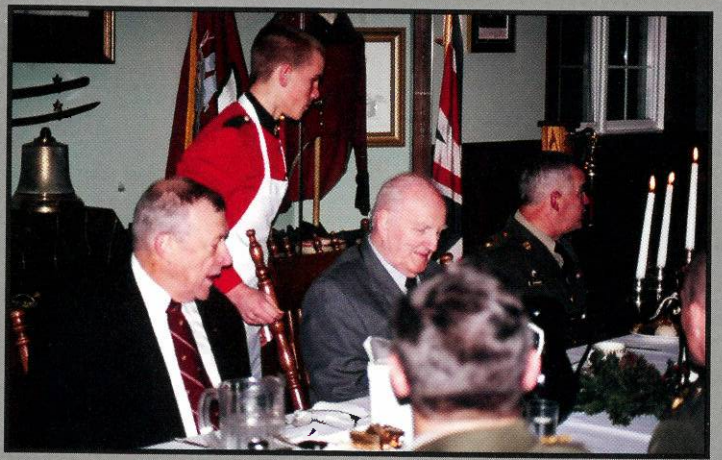


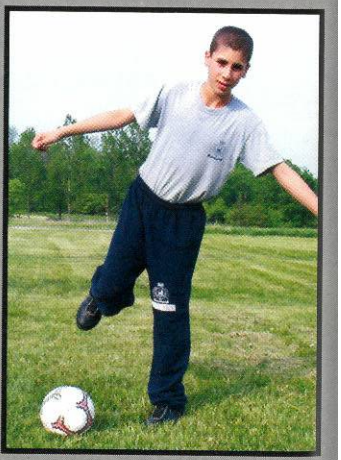


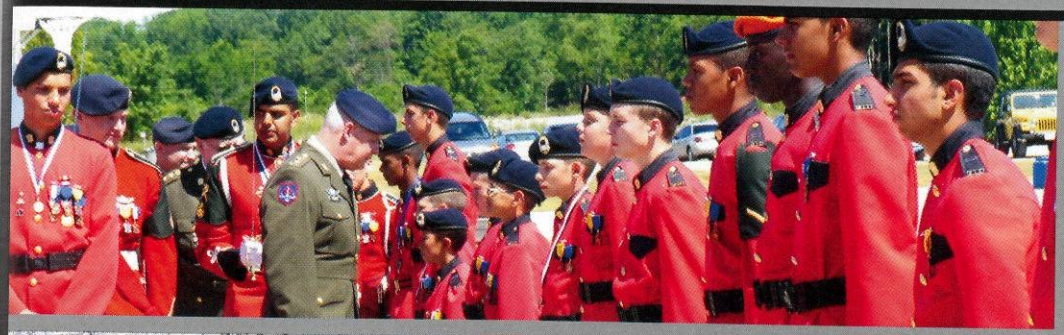


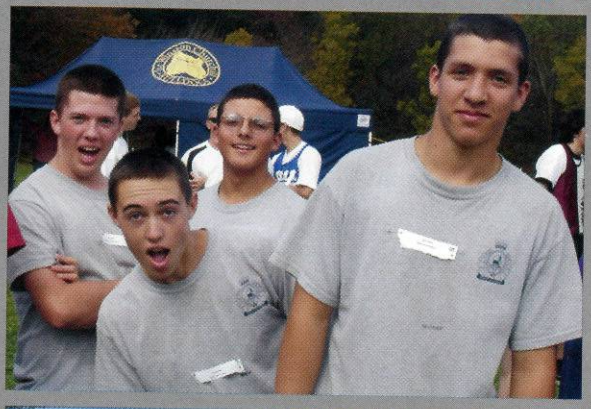
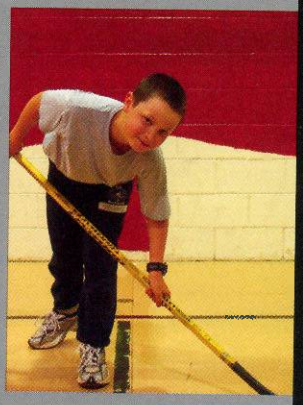










Graduation

RIGHT: The drum corps leads the Academy through Ritchie Hall en route to Eadie Square for the Honour Graduation Parade Ceremony.

BELOW: WO Dhillon commands the parade.

ABOVE: The ceremonial passing of the swords, representing a change of command from the 2006/2007 cadet NCOs to the 2007/2008 cadet NCOs.

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LEFT: The Academy colour party marches into position on the parade square. The colour party consists of a cadet carrying each of the Canadian national flag and the Academy colour, and three escorts.

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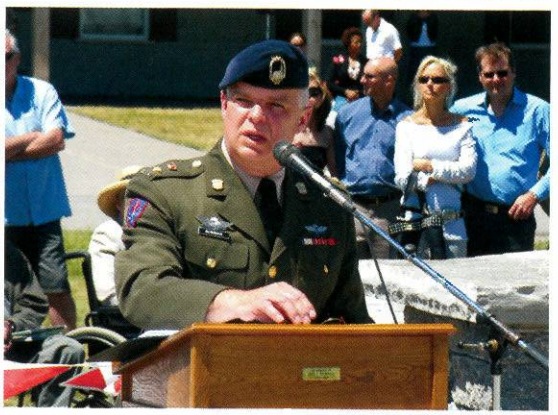
BELOW: Dean of Studies, Dr. D. Hanley, presents the Ontario Secondary School Diploma to the grade 12 graduates.

ABOVE: The cadets march past the saluting base.

RIGHT: LCol G.S. Bowman, Founder & Headmaster, addresses the cadets, faculty and guests.



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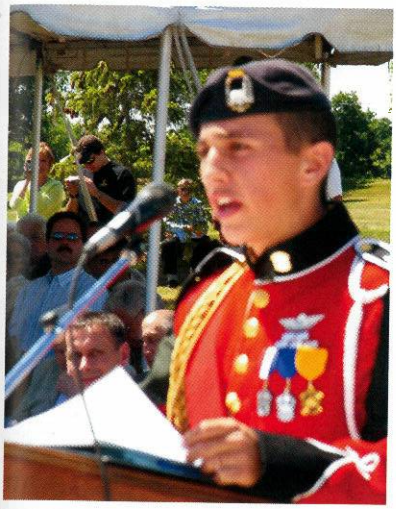
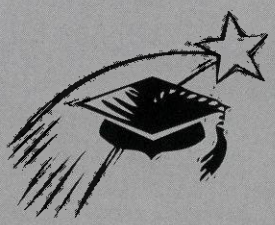


ABOVE: Aide-de-Camp W.O Karl Lasendorf addresses the faculty and guests on behalf of the cadet body.



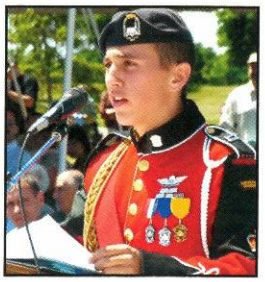
RIGHT: LCol Bowman and the Inspecting Party inspect the cadets on parade.

BELOW: ASM Zahra with 2007/2008 Aides-de-Camps

LEFT: 2006/2007 cadet NCOs sheath their swords for the last time on parade, in preparation for the ceremonial change of cadet appointments.

Bringing You Greetings

Warrant Officer Karl Latendorf



Lieutenant Colonel Bowman, honored guests, family and friends. Welcome to the 28th Annual Graduation of Robert Land Academys cadet body.

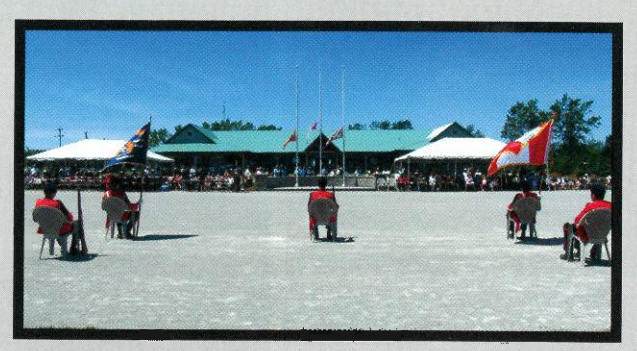
I am the Aide-de-Camp, WO Karl Latendorf, and I would like to personally welcome you on behalf of the cadets. I have been bestowed the honour of the Salutation to this prestigious event, not necessarily because I am a graduate nor because I am a Warrant Officer, but most likely because I have been here for five years, longer than any student except, of course, Jake Duerkson who apparently arrived at Robert Land via Noah's Ark. In fact, when I was first enrolled at the Academy in 2002, Colonel Bowman had brown hair and the ASM had hair. I cannot and do not take full responsibility for the graying or losing of the said hair.

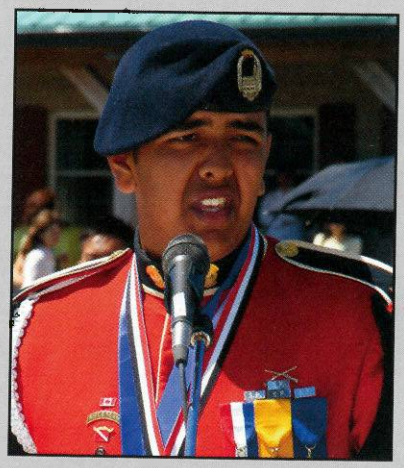
Today's graduation on Eadie Square is symbolic of not only our hard work, but also the support and love of our parents, family and friends who guided us through challenging times. And this is why it is so important that you are here today to share this parade with us. Please keep in mind; we also need a ride home!

Along with our parents, it is important that we share this day with the staff, who have played a very important role in today's graduation. The teaching staff have enlightened some of our minds, while CSMs and Staff Sergeants have lost their minds. The kitchen staff have fed us healthy and delicious meals, with more emphasis on healthy. And the matron...the poor matron. She has washed the clothes of the hygienically challenged every day for the last ten months. It was always nice to visit Mrs. Spiller. Her office was the only office where you could sit down and know you were not in trouble. Ms. Lake is our favorite staff member - she got us home. Without these individuals we would not be here celebrating our success.

Tomorrow will bring many challenges. Some cadets will be returning to the Academy next year; this may seem daunting. Since I have returned four times, I will give you this advice: you may not grow vertically, but you will grow spiritually. To those cadets graduating or moving on to other schools, the Colonel would tell you to take the values with you; I'm telling you to take a picture of ASM Zahra! And when you think you've got it bad, and life is unfair, pull out that picture, smile at it, and start stepping over life's obstacles.

To friends and family, I once again welcome you; we hope you enjoy the day. Before I leave you I would encourage you to find your son, or grandson or nephew in the sea of scarlets and look at the improvement, whether big or small, and realize you have given him the potential to march toward a brighter future. Thank you.





Valedictory Address

Warrant Officer Bob Dhillon

Good morning Lieutenant Colonel Bowman, Dr. Harley, Board Members, honoured guests, dedicated faculty, loving families, and most importantly, students. I am Warrant Officer Bob Dhillon, Head Boy of Robert Land Academy, and I stand here today to address you on behalf of the graduating class of the Academy. Today presents a milestone moment in our lives. We all come from different corners of the world yet share a common sense of pride in this accomplishment - graduating high school.

I speak on behalf of the 17 graduates of 2007 when I say Robert Land Academy has opened several doors that otherwise would have remained closed. Prior to arriving at the Academy, graduating high school was something that several of us did not see as achievable or valuable, at times seemingly insurmountable. Many of us had no vision of our futures or how we would get there. Robert Land Academy provides each of us this unique opportunity to succeed.

Upon arriving here, we are given a chance at a new start in life. Our past failures are forgotten and the focus is shifted to our futures. Recruit course training and the 90 kilometer Fall Exercise represent the first barriers to our success. We quickly learn, some quicker than others, that if we choose to overcome these obstacles and push ourselves beyond our perceived limits, success will be ours.

Robert Land Academy is unique in several aspects. Not only do we live, learn, and study together, but we also become a family. We learn to work as a team towards a common goal, support one another through times of adversity, and share our success and failures. As a family, we accomplish more than we ever perceived possible as individuals and that enables us to realize our potential. An example of this is preparing for morning inspections. Not only does it require a great deal of self-discipline and perseverance, but it is also a challenge that we overcome each day. A successful inspection brings privileges and a sense of pride, while failing allows us to look back on our efforts and seek self-improvement. Each day spent at Robert Land Academy is another opportunity to build on our character. These lessons that are reinforced around the Academy are ones that prove beneficial in our development of morals and values.

One of the greatest experiences at the Academy is being given the opportunity to counsel and support other students with their concerns. As student leaders, we are taught to lead by example. In positions of authority, we learn that our actions reflect our values and that our peers and subordinates judge who we are from the manner in which we act. The goal of the Academy, to build good citizens for the future, is truly one that we should all take to heart. Not only do we learn the lessons that allow us to excel at the Academy, but the skills we learn here are applicable to the world around us. With the values of HONOUR, LOYALTY, LABOUR, COMMITMENT, and COURAGE, we can all do our part in creating better families, better communities, and ultimately, a better world.

Having arrived at this point in my life, I would naturally like to thank the faculty of Robert Land Academy that have supported me in this endeavour of self-improvement and academic excellence. All the teachers deserve an equal amount of recognition for their efforts as they often stay behind long hours to help us finish our assignments. In particular, Captain Doig, my Company Commander for the past three years, has been like a father away from home. He has always been available to offer his advice and has constantly supported me with my concerns. I also wish to thank ASM Zahra and Captain Milliken for their consistent motivation and always keeping me on track. Major Lyttle and Captain Erola, it was a great experience taking part in the Army Cadet programme at the Academy. Your dedication to the Corps is remarkable and your invaluable lessons will never be forgotten. Thank you DSM Robinson for getting me through the scuba course. CSM Vickers, CSM Bolton and Lt. Evans, you have all played a significant role in my life and have consistently given up your time to support me. Even through the rough times, the Academy staff members have always been there to offer their guidance. My fellow Senior NCOs, WO Chung, WO Latendorf, and WO Bissett, this past year has been a great experience in my life and I can't go without thanking you for being part of it. It has been a pleasure to serve the Academy as Head Boy and I hope that the future NCOs continue to emulate only the highest standards of deportment.

Today is not only a day for the graduates to celebrate this achievement in our lives, it is an opportunity to look ahead to the future and to appreciate all that the Academy has done for us, not only academically, but in all aspects of life to get us to where we are now. It is an opportunity to thank our families for always remaining supportive of us, whether we appreciated it at the time or not. If there is one person I wish to thank more than anyone else, it is my mother. Thank you Mom for the warm meals you would cook when I came home on leave, for making the two hour drives to see me if only for two minutes, for forcing me back to the Academy each stand-down even when I felt like giving up, and for sacrificing so much in your life to make sure that I have the chance to succeed in my life. Today is for you and I hope I have made you proud.

Many cadets may perceive today as an end. Louis L'Amour, an American writer, once wrote: "There will come a time when you believe everything is finished. That will be the beginning." Today is that time. I thank you Colonel Bowman for this opportunity to speak on behalf of the student body or Robert Land Academy and good luck to all the graduates in their future endeavours.

AWARDS

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MBar Jesse Lee
DBar Craig Reinhart

ISAAC BROCK AWARD

Bar Justin Cescolini
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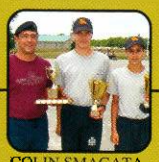

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DBar Shaun Blachette
DBar Michael Tabone

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DBar Maxim Imakin

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

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LT. GOVERNOR'S COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARD

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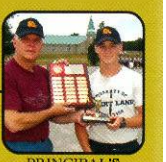

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

MCpl Michael Dallas- Peterson

JUNIOR ATHLETIC AWARD
DBar Maxim Imakin

ROBERT LAND ACADEMY EXPLORERS AWARD
Cdt Darren Kenney
MBar Jessee Lee

JUNIOR ENGLISH CREATIVE WRITING AWARD
Bar Stephen Halsey
Bar Matthew Kerns

JUNIOR ENGLISH LITERACY AWARD
Bar Cole Kaminski
Bar Martin Schady

MODEL CLUB AWARD
Cdt Joseph Remer

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD
Cpl Dennis Sherman

BAND MASTER'S AWARD
Bar Gregory Joyce

CADENCE AWARD
DBar Nicolae Rowe
LBar Justin Wysocki

MUSKETRY AWARD
Bar Gregory Joyce

CREATIVE WRITING AWARD / BHODAN CIRKA
WO Karl Latendorf

FRENCH BOOK PRIZE
DBar Michael Tabone - Senior
DBar Raymond Chau - Intermediate

HISTORY BOOK PRIZE
Bar Philip Massey
LCpl Alexander Zeballos

SENIOR SCIENCE BOOK PRIZE
WO Bob Dhillon

EUCLID MEDAL
WO Bob Dhillon

VISUAL ARTS PRIZE
Bar Devon Gale - Junior
Cadet Austin Boyd - Intermediate
LCpl Daniel Chan - Senior

CENTAURI ARTS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
MCpl Jacob Duerksen

ENGLISH BOOK PRIZE
Bar Todd Youngson - Intermediate
WO Bob Dhillon - Senior

SENIOR COMPUTER SCIENCE BOOK PRIZE
WO Bob Dhillon

ROYAL BANK SENIOR BUSINESS AND COMMERCE PRIZE
LCpl Alexander Zeballos

BILLY BISHOP AWARD
LCpl Daniel Cinq-Mars

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION DUNNVILLE BRANCH 142 BURSARY / RCAC SERVICE AWARD
DBar Errol Kokbas

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE
Bar Luke Smith

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR INTERMEDIATE CREATIVE WRITING
Cdt Thomas Kaczkiewicz

PAUL HUNTER GOLD CITIZENSHIP AWARD
MCpl Rory McLellan

CANADIAN FORESTERS' AWARD
DBar Valentine Orlov

JOHN HAY TO LIFE AWARD
DBar Nicholas Gegan

AMCSUS AWARD
MCpl Michael Dallas-Peterson

HONOUR ROLL

Marks 80% and Above

Jamal Al Amry
Calvin Bissett
Austin Boyd
Thomas Braidwood
Justin Cescolini
Yee Hoi (Daniel) Chan
Tin Ho (Justin) Chan
Marcus Chang
Huang (Raymond) Chau
Levi Derksen
Dhavendeep (Bob) Dhillon
Renaud Herry-Saint Onge
Mark Ironmonger
Thomas Kaczkiewicz
Justin Lee
Anderson (Hu-Yan) Leung
Thomas Longay
Gabriel Marcoux
Valentine Orlov
Jonathan Pinkhasik
Graham Seymour
Dennis Sherman
Jeremy Ting
Bradley Toth
Matthew Vigars
Albert (Cyrus) Wathey
Tung Hoi (Andy) Wong
Justin Wysocki
Todd Youngson
Alexander Zeballos

MARKS OF DISTINCTION

Marks 75% - 79%

Patrick Allocco
Ian Beattie
Cavan Cai
Roy Chung
Sean Connor
Aaron De Silva
Jacob Duerksen
Nicholas Gegan
Gurbir Gill
Jasper Graham
Stephen Halsey
Daniel Hann
William Harris
Jay Huang
Alexander Jakimstchuk
Errol Kokbas
Daniel Kupnicki
Karl Latendorf
Jesse Lee
Uros Macevic
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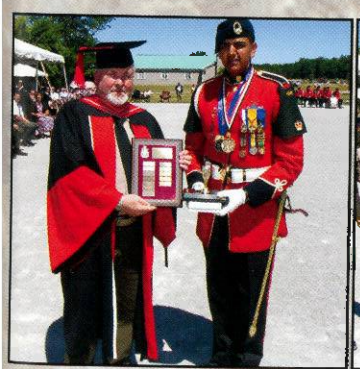

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S AWARD

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ROBERT LAND TROPHY

MCpl Justin Chan

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MCpl Rory McLellan

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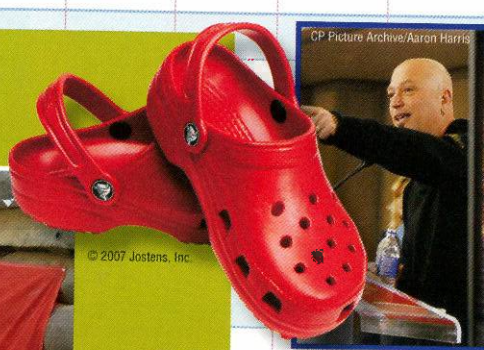

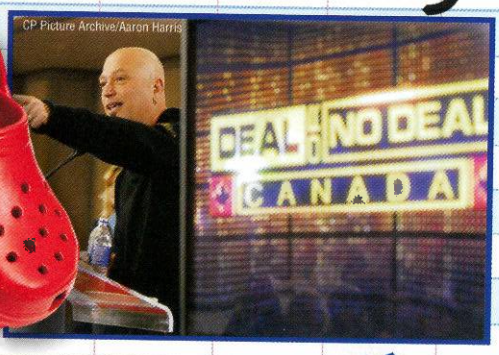

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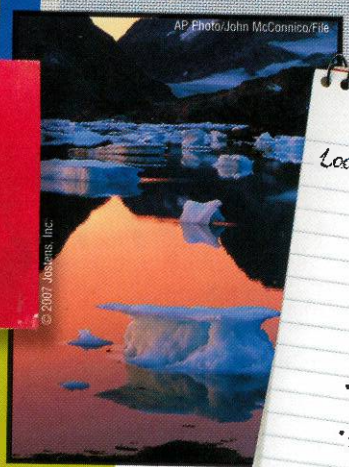

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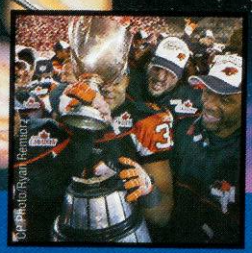
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